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RAJYA SABHA

Statement

State-wise number of textile mills under N.T.C.

Sl.No.	State	No. of Mills
1.	Punjab	4
2.	Rajasthan	4
3.	Madhya Pradesh	6
4.	Chhattisgarh	1
5.	Uttar Pradesh	11
6.	Gujarat	11
7.	Andhra Pradesh	6
8.	Karnataka	4
9.	Kerala	5
10.	Pondicherry	3
11.	Maharashtra	35
12.	Tamil Nadu	13
13.	Assam	1
14.	Bihar	2
15.	Orissa	1
16.	West Bengal	12
Total		119

Disappearance of Many Articles from National Museum

†1950. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Rashtriya Sangrahalaya se sainkaron kalakritiyan gayab" published in Rashtriya Sahara dated the 31st May, 2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether Government have ordered any enquiry in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Based on similar complaints received earlier, the Government has set up a Physical Verification Committee in 1996 for physical and scientific verification of art objects of National Museum. Based on a Public Interest Litigation filed in 1997 before it, the Hon'ble High Court, Delhi had directed that the reports of this Committee may be submitted to it regularly in sealed cover. Thus the Hon'ble High Court is monitoring this aspect closely and regularly. The reports of the Physical Verification Committee are being submitted to the Hon'ble Court regularly and in facts recently in December 2000 the Hon'ble Court has disposed of the above petition with the direction to the Committee to submit its reports to it regularly in sealed cover.

Funds Sought by Government of Madhya Pradesh for Tourism Projects in the State

†1951. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Madhya Pradesh has sought funds from Central Government for the proposed schemes like tourist reception centre Bhopal, Public Facility, Dhoopgarh, Pachmarhi, Expansion of tourists complex, Plash, Bhopal and repairing-cum-development of banks of river Narmada in Hoshangabad;

(b) if so, to what extent the funds have been sought and the funds likely to be sanctioned by Government for these proposed schemes; and

(c) by when the announcement made by the Union Minister for

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